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FM AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

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SUBJ: WCRP VESSEL ACTIVITIES - LEAP DAL

REF: A. BANGKOK 6549, B. STATE 072079

1. EMBASSY NOTES THAT BOTH REFS A AND B AGREE THAT A BETTER SURVEY IS NEEDED OF REFUGEES ABOARD THE LEAP DAL.

2. THE LEAP DAL IS NOW LOCATED EAST OF SINGAPORE IN MALAYSIAN WATERS OFF COAST OF JOHORE. IT HAS ON THREE OCCASIONS BEEN PROVIDED WITH SUPPLIES BY SOCIAL WORKERS OF THE CATHOLIC WELFARE SERVICES,
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SINGAPORE (VOLAG). PROVIDED THE DEPARTMENT HAS NO OBJECTION EMBASSY PROPOSES TO REQUEST CATHOLIC WELFARE SERVICES SINGAPORE TO UNDERTAKE A CAREFUL SURVEY OF ALL REFUGEES INCLUDING THOSE WHO ARE QUALIFIED UNDER USG CRITERIA.

3. ALTHOUGH OUT OF 250 PLUS PERSONS ABOARD THE LEAP DAL 208 ARE LAOTIANS WHO APPARENTLY CROSSED OVERLAND INTO THAILAND AND

ARE NOT PROPERLY CLASSIFIED BY U.S. OR UNHCR AS BOAT CASE REFUGEES, OTHER AGENCY SOURCES HERE BELIEVE SOME OF THESE MAY HAVE BEEN FORMER USG EMPLOYEES, WHICH IF TRUE MAY BEAR HEAVILY ON EXTENT TO WHICH USG SHOULD BECOME INVOLVED.

4. WE NOTE THAT FRENCH IN ACCEPTING 16 CAMBODIAN CREW MEMBERS OFF LEAP DAL PROCESSED THEM THROUGH SINGAPORE ON UNCONDITIONAL GUARANTEE TO GOS OF ONWARD TRANSPORTATION TO FRANCE WITHIN SHORT TIME SPAN (OWNER, THAI PHUOC, IS CURRENTLY RECRUITING ANOTHER CREW). ALTHOUGH EMBASSY SINGAPORE HAS HAD NO EXPERIENCE RE TIME FRAME REQUIRED TO PROCESS CE CASES, WE THINK IT MOST UNLIKELY GOS WOULD ALLOW PROCESSING LEAP DAL CASES IN SINGAPORE UNLESS WE PROVIDE UNCONDITIONAL GUARANTY THAT REFUGEES WOULD BE MOVED WITHIN SPECIFIC TIME. THEREFORE, IF ANY CE CASES ON "REFUGEES" ABOARD THE LEAP DAL ARE SUBMITTED IT MAY BECOME NECESSARY FOR ROVING INS OFFICER TO BOARD THE LEAP DAL FOR FINAL INTERVIEW.

5. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT CONCURRENCE AND OTHER ADDRESSEE COMMENTS. GRANT

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